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MANCHESTER MAN SENTENCED FOR CRACK DISTRIBUTION

United States Attorney Tom Colantuono and Manchester Police Chief John Jaskolka today announced that Luis Caraballo, age 52, of Manchester, NH, was sentenced to a one hundred and eight (108) month term of imprisonment followed by a three (3) year period of supervised release, for his involvement in the distribution of crack cocaine in Manchester, New Hampshire. During the period of supervised release, the defendant's behavior will be monitored by the United States Probation Office.

The prosecution was the result of an investigation by members of the Special Investigations Unit of the Manchester, New Hampshire, Police Department. United States Attorney Colantuono applauded the continuing efforts of the Manchester Police Department, stating "the Special Investigations Unit of the Manchester Police Department has a long history of investigating and seeking prosecution of complex drug networks in and around Manchester. However, they understand and recognize that street level dealers, such as Luis Caraballo, pose a real threat to the community if left unchecked. This Operation Street Sweeper case, and many more similar cases, demonstrates that law enforcement within the State are dedicated to the investigation of drug trafficking on all levels, both large and small, in an effort to eradicate drugs from New Hampshire."

The case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Terry L. Ollila.